

# Congress Is in Rush To Wind Up Business

With Three and Half Days Remaining of Present Session, Senate and House Will Soon End Long Program of Legislation.

With three and a half days remaining of the present session of Congress, the talk of an extra session has been practically abandoned and the plan of holding an extra session of the Senate will be dropped. It is recognized that an extra session because of the international situation may be imperative at any time. An extra session beginning about October 1 is a possibility in order to put through a long program of legislation prior to the Presidential campaign and quit before the nominating conventions of 1916.

## SENATE FACES VOLUME OF WORK.

A big volume of work confronts the Senate between now and Thursday. The House will have no difficulty in winding up its affairs, provided there is no serious hitch in disposing of conference reports.

Senate Democratic leaders will make one more effort to jam the ship purchase bill through, but it will be in the nature of a play to the galleries. The Republicans are prepared to filibuster against it to the end and balk appropriation bills rather than let it pass. It is admitted on all hands, except by the President, that the bill is dead.

The rural credits proposition, hit by the agricultural bill by an amendment of Senator McCumber, is causing difficulty. Efforts are to be made in the Senate and House to substitute the Bulkley-Hollis plan for the McCumber plan.

The Administration is fighting the idea of Government aid-direct or indirect. Postmaster General Burleson visited the Capitol yesterday to take a hand in the situation for the President. Friends of Government aid say the Administration plans to kill all rural credits legislation unless the Government aid idea is eliminated.

## Will Confirm Four.

The Senate Interstate Commerce Committee has reported favorably at the nominations for the Federal Trade Commission but George Rublee, of New Hampshire. Although there will be some Republican opposition to an executive session, it is believed the four

## VILLISTAS EXECUTE

## U. S. RANCH MANAGER

Forced to Aid Carranzistas, Man Is Killed Despite Protest From Bryan.

NEW YORK, Feb. 28.—The Times today publishes the following dispatch from Edwin Chamberlain at San Antonio, Texas:

"During the last two years my property near Carrizosa, San Luis Potosi, Mexico, has been subjected to harassment by the principal warring factions in the republic, entailing considerable physical loss and damage. All outrages have been reported to the Department of State from time to time, as perpetuated, with request for protection. On February 17 I received advice from my manager of the Mexican property, stating that a Carranza officer, Gen. Alberto Avila, had made demands that a large quantity of wood be cut from the property and hauled to Carrizosa for use on the railroads operated by the Carranzistas.

"Knowing that the Villistas troops were located at San Luis Potosi, a short distance from Carrizosa, I anticipated the displeasure of this faction when I should come to their knowledge that I was furnishing wood to Carranzistas. I was furnishing that such action on the part of my manager was under duress. Therefore I wired the State Department fully explaining the situation, stating that I feared compliance with General Avila's order would be understood by the Villistas as aid to Carranzistas. I immediately wired the State Department for confirmation, and have not received an answer, saying that Consul Bonney confirms the killing of my manager. The demand for a large quantity of wood further investigation."

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## Company Charged With Million Dollar Swindle

PORTLAND, Ore., Feb. 28.—A million-dollar swindle, which hit 4,000 stockholders, is charged against officers and directors of the now defunct United States Cashier Company, of this city, in an indictment by a Federal grand jury. False representation concerning profits to five change-making machines

## Miss Lillian Goldman to Wed Julius L. Simon

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## STUDY SHOWN HERE

Painting by Sidney M. Laurence on Exhibition at New National Museum.

A painting of Mt. McKinley in Alaska by Sidney M. Laurence, the American artist, which is believed to be the first direct study of this peak, has been put on exhibition in the new National Museum by Col. W. P. Richardson, U. S. A., chairman of the Board of Road Commissioners of Alaska, a friend of the artist.

Mr. Laurence spent two years in Alaska, making studies of Mt. McKinley in the Valdez, Colonel Richardson's headquarters. When the painting, a canvas about 5 by 6 feet, was complete, Colonel Richardson brought it to the capital. The painting was done from a great valley, well up on the mountain formation, and looking toward the highest peak of Mt. McKinley, 29,000 feet in the air. It is in a frame of w. w. appears to be drawn and painted in oil. The painting is called "Top of the Continent." It is part of the exhibit of the National Gallery of Art, indefinitely.

## Upstairs Clothes Shop, New in Capital, Opened

A new idea in the retail clothing business in this city was inaugurated yesterday with the opening of a specialty clothes shop, located on the second floor at 306 Ninth street northwest, the name of which is "The National Upstairs Clothes Shop."

While new to Washington, these upstairs shops are being successfully operated in New York, Chicago, Pittsburgh, and other cities, and are being widely advertised in the West.

## Pennsylvania Officials Speak At Veterans' Banquet

Officials of the Pennsylvania railroad attended the banquet of the Veterans' Banquet, held at the Metropolitan Hotel, last night at the Metropolitan Hotel. Most of the banquet guests, 30 in number, came to Washington on a special train from Philadelphia.

## Spain Will Build Four Cruisers, 28 Submarines

MADRID, Feb. 28.—The Spanish government's new naval law provides for the construction of four cruisers, six destroyers, twenty submarines, three gunboats, one coast guard ship, and the purchase of submarine mines.

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## AFRAID WILSON WILL VETO SEAMEN'S BILL

## Advocates of Measure Fear Stone Was Voicing Administration Views.

Advocates of the seamen's bill, which has been passed by both Senate and House, after years of hard struggle, are fearful the President will veto it.

The bill was finally passed yesterday, when the conference report, previously adopted by the House, was adopted by the Senate. The conference report was adopted by the Senate without a roll call. Then Senator Hoke Smith moved to reconsider, but on motion of Senator La Follette the Smith motion was tabled 29 to 23.

Senator Smith criticized the bill and then Senator Stone, chairman of Foreign Relations, bitterly attacked it.

Senator Stone is one of the spokesmen for the Administration in the Senate, and by reason of his speech the bill was rejected. He is apprehensive that the President will veto the bill.

The bill is intended to promote the welfare of American seamen, relieve them from the system of involuntary servitude under which they have long struggled, and to abolish arrest and imprisonment for desertion. Increased provision is made for safety of life at sea.

Shipping interests are bitterly opposed to the bill and are expected to bring pressure to bear on the White House to veto it. The bill is expected to be vetoed on the ground that it is in conflict with treaties with foreign nations.

The American Federation has backed the seamen's bill in the campaign for the legislation. Labor leaders say the bill is vetoed it will cost the Democratic party heavily in votes in 1916.

## Funerals

James Brennan. The funeral of James Brennan will be held from St. Peter's Church tomorrow morning at 9 o'clock. Carroll Council, No. 37, Knights of Columbus, will attend.

Major Charles Heywood. The funeral of Major Charles Heywood, U. S. M. C., retired, will be held from the St. Peter's Church tomorrow morning at 9 o'clock. Interment will be in Arlington National Cemetery. The Military Order of the Loyal Legion will be in charge.

Mrs. Lillie May Humphrey. The funeral of Mrs. Lillie May Humphrey will be held tomorrow morning at 10:30 o'clock from the residence, 515 Eleventh street northeast. She is survived by her husband, Albert Humphrey.

Miss Mary E. Mahoney. The funeral of Miss Mary E. Mahoney, daughter of Daniel C. and Julia C. Mahoney, 238 M street northwest, will be held from St. Stephen's Catholic Church, where a requiem mass will be sung tomorrow morning at 9 o'clock.

George H. Parker. The funeral of George H. Parker will be held tomorrow afternoon from the residence, 227 G street northeast. Interment will be in Rock Creek Cemetery.

William Schwing. The funeral of William Schwing will be held tomorrow morning from the residence, 207 M street northwest. A requiem mass will be sung at 9 o'clock. Interment will be in Rock Creek Cemetery.

Mrs. Mary Jane Campbell. The funeral of Mrs. Mary Jane Campbell, widow of Richard H. Campbell, will be held Tuesday morning from the residence, 22 Thirtieth street southwest, at 9 o'clock. A requiem mass will be sung at 9 o'clock.

Mrs. Carrie J. Clifford. The funeral of Mrs. Carrie J. Clifford, widow of Washington I. Clifford, will be held tomorrow afternoon from the residence, 129 E street southeast. Interment will be in Congressional Cemetery.

J. Thomas Finney. The funeral of J. Thomas Finney, eighty-six years old, will be held tomorrow morning at 9 o'clock from Holy Trinity Church, Camp No. 17, United Confederate Veterans, will attend, and interment will be in Arlington National Cemetery.

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The manager of the shop will be Sidney Laurence, who has been a resident of Washington for a number of years, the past seven of which he has spent in the retail clothing business.

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# All Conventions Lost in War Rush for Babies

European Statesmen Throw Down All Barriers in Desperate Effort to Repopulate Devastated Nations—More Boy Babies Universal Prayer.

By WILLIAM G. SHEPHERD.

LONDON, Feb. 16 (by mail to New York).—"Wanted—Boy babies!"

That's the cry of the statesmen of Europe. It's a dead earnest demand. They need boy babies just as they need wheat or horses or copper or cattle. These statesmen of most of the nations in the great war have thrown aside all the peace time conventionalities about marriage.

"Babies," they cry, "we must have babies, no matter how we get them."

And if these same statesmen could persuade the European storks to bring only boy babies for the next five years, they would do it, delightedly. There are plenty of women in Europe; there will be too many, by the time this war is ended.

## ENCOURAGE RECRUITS TO MARRY.

The German statesmen have gone about the baby-breeding business with characteristic thoroughness. They have made rules which encourage recruits to marry before departing for the front. They want the fathers of the babies to be the strong men of the fighting line, not the weaklings who couldn't go to war.

But the most astonishing German plan is already in the way of accomplishment. Red Cross parties of doctors and midwives from the lying-in-hospitals of Germany will be sent to Belgium and northern France during the next few weeks to escort into war-ridden Europe the babies that are born in the trail of the German army.

Though the mothers may be French, these babies will be the children of German fathers and German claims them. In this action the German authorities will have to fight French influence which already has been exerted to save these French-German children to France. The statesmen have gone to the last limit in legitimizing the babies that are born in the towns north of France. "Unmarried mothers," are ranked with the married ones, when it comes to the payment of war benefits. This ruling applies also to children born out of wedlock where both parents are French. "War babies" make as good soldiers—perhaps better, say some of the writers of France—than any other sort.

Follow French Lead. And the statesmen of staid old England have followed France in this direction. In France there was no protest, but a handful of Episcopalian bishops in England, who happened to be in convocation at the time the rule was passed, complained bitterly about placing "unmarried wives" on the same footing of the war benefit lists with the married women.

"It degrades the married women who have been careful and conventional," complained the bishops. It was suggested that "unmarried wives" ought to receive less benefits than married ones, but the statesmen pointed out that "unmarried wives" often had as large families as married ones, and that they needed for food and shelter as great as that of the married women and their children.

English soldiers are encouraged in every possible way to wed before departure for the front. The church authorities have reduced the heavy license fee which is necessary for quick and sudden marriages in England, and many soldiers and officers who return home on two or three days leave of absence marry in that short space of time and return again to the fighting line.

Marriage by Proxy. The French, however, have exceeded all former bounds. They have planned a law by which a soldier at the front may be married by proxy. In this way, it is believed, many "unmarried mothers" will be "legitimate" and their children legitimized without the necessity of calling the soldier father home from the busy front.

If the women of Europe, in any nation, are protesting against this plan of the statesmen for extensive and general breeding of babies, their objections are being silenced by the censors. And a word of the women's side of the great plan creeps to the press. The only objection that has been made came from the male bishops in London. The suffragettes of London are silent on the matter, and the feminist writers of France, who, for long, have made a virtue of speaking for women, have held their tongues and their pens.

The war has reached so deeply to the roots of Europe's ancient conventions that there seems to be a general tacit understanding among the peoples of the

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# WANTS ULTIMATUM TO GREAT BRITAIN

Congressman Deitrick Introduces Resolution Calling on President to Act.

Although there is no prospect that the Foreign Affairs Committee will act, Congressman Deitrick, a Massachusetts Democrat, has pending before that committee a resolution which recites that Great Britain has been guilty of many acts threatening the peace, safety, and commerce of the United States, and that the President should warn Great Britain.

Mr. Deitrick introduced the resolution yesterday. It contains a long preamble asserting that Great Britain has followed a foreign and war policy with nations friendly to the United States, which has strained the relations between the United States and such nations; that she has misused the Panama Canal Zone; that she has unlawfully interfered with the commerce of the United States; that she has misused the flag of this country, and that she has committed other acts which threaten the well-being of this country.

The Deitrick resolution directs the President to obtain assurances from the British government that the practices

shall cease within sixty days from the passage of the resolution. Among the allegations in the preamble of the Deitrick resolution are the following:

"That Great Britain's actions in the present war have created a condition in the Atlantic ocean which threatens to involve the United States in complications with friendly nations, and she has recently entered into an offensive and defensive alliance with Japan which in time of war with either nation will surround the United States with an immense naval force, and, at least, drive us to the Pacific."

"She has violated the neutrality of China, in whom the United States has a vital interest, by sending her troops in conjunction with the Japanese forces to Kiaochow."

"The fact that she is drilling troops for the war in Canada, makes that colony subject to the dangers of attack, and constitutes it a danger to the United States."

"England's attitude in Mexico has created an increasing hostility toward the United States, whose neutrality since the outbreak of the war she has violated many times by using the Panama Canal Zone and waters under the control of this country for signal and wireless stations."

"Again regardless of the neutrality of the United States, Great Britain has obtained from lands and waters over which this Government has jurisdiction at least one submarine war vessel, many large war quantities of ammunition, and armored automobiles."

"England has also circulated false statements in this country concerning the nations with which she is at war, with a view to inflaming public sentiment here against them."

"She has delayed, interfered with, and seized American ships bound for neutral ports, and has strewn mines parts of the high seas endangering the commerce of the United States, and has misused the flag of the United States."

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# CONFIRMS CLASS AT ALL SOULS' CHURCH

Bishop Harding to Confer Sacrament on Fourteen More This Evening.

The Rt. Rev. Alfred Harding, Episcopal Bishop of Washington, made his annual visitation to All Souls' Church today and confirmed a class of twenty-three at the 11 o'clock service. He will officiate at a similar service at All Saints' Church, Chevy Chase, at 8 o'clock tonight.

The class at All Souls' Church had been prepared for confirmation by the pastor, the Rev. Dr. J. McBride Stearns. An address by the bishop followed the ceremony. Special music was furnished by the choir.

Canon J. W. Austin has prepared a class of fourteen, which will be confirmed this evening. At the conclusion of the services the members of the class will be presented to the bishop individually.

The students of the Cathedral School for Girls will head an address by the bishop next Thursday afternoon. Canon Richard P. Williams officiated this morning at the services at St. George's Chapel, in St. Alban's parish.

Boys Russian or Norfolk Suits, in sizes 2 to 16 years, consisting of:—jacket, trousers, and light twisted cheviot fabric, made in North York style. Braid and patch pockets.

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25c Ladies' Muslin Drawers

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75c Ladies' Muslin Gowns

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